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Via ECFS

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: Notice of Ex Parte Presentation, WT Docket Nos. 12-69 and 05-265;
GN Docket No. 09-51**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On August 4, 2012, Steven Berry and I met with Chairman Genachowski, his Chief of Staff, Zachary Katz, and his Legal Advisor, Renee Wentzel, as well as James Schlichting, Senior Deputy Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Chief to discuss RCA's mission and priorities. RCA described its support for policies that will promote increased wireless competition and deliver benefits to consumers, including in rural areas. RCA expressed support for the FCC's forthcoming Mobile Spectrum Holdings rulemaking and encouraged the FCC to ensure competitive access to usable spectrum. RCA also discussed the critical need to ensure interoperability in the Lower 700 MHz band and encouraged the FCC to complete its rulemaking before the end of this year. Finally, RCA discussed its support for the availability of data roaming on commercially reasonable terms. RCA expressed its interest in exploring market-based solutions wherever possible to address these and other vital public policy objectives, while noting that Commission involvement is necessary at this stage to avoid the need for more intrusive regulatory intervention down the road.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding these issues.

Sincerely,

/s/

Rebecca Murphy Thompson
General Counsel

cc (via email only): Zachary Katz
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